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[Program Announcement 02191]

Expansion of HIV/AIDS/TB Care and Prevention Activities Among People With HIV/AIDS in the Republic of Uganda; Notice of Availability of Funds; Amendment

A notice announcing the availability of Fiscal Year 2002 funds for cooperative agreements for the Expansion of HIV/AIDS/TB Care and Prevention Activities Among People with HIV/AIDS in the Republic of Uganda was published in the **Federal Register**, June 20, 2002, Volume 67, No. 119, pages 42006-42007. The notice is amended as follows: On page 42006, Column 3, Paragraph "I. Submission and Deadline", remove "July 17, 2002" and insert in its place "August 9, 2002".

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[Program Announcement 02198]

International Programs To Prevent and Control Micronutrient Malnutrition; Notice of Availability of Funds

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 2002 funds for a cooperative agreement program for the international prevention and control of micronutrient malnutrition.

The purpose of this program is to achieve the elimination of micronutrient malnutrition, especially iron, iodine and vitamin A deficiencies by: Component 1 supporting and strengthening program

development, epidemiology, laboratory, intervention, and communications capacity of nutrition/micronutrient programs in selected countries through regional strategies activities, including distribution of vitamin A capsules, iron, and folic acid supplements to target populations worldwide; component 2 developing and implementing program policy and standards, maintaining relationships with ministries of health (MOH) and other policy makers, and setting international standards for nutritional status; component 3 testing the usefulness of the micronutrient version of CDCynergy as a planning, training or evaluation tool for developing countries participating in national or regional food fortification and supplementation programs.

B. Authority and Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number

This program is authorized under section 301(a) and 317(k)(2) of the Public Health Service Act, (42 U.S.C. 247b(k)(2)), as amended. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 93.945.

C. Eligible Applicants

Assistance will be provided only to those potential applicants that are eligible as described below:

All components must involve work with developing countries only.

Eligibility for Component 1

Assistance will be provided only to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), New York, New York. No other applications are solicited.

UNICEF is the only organization that has country-based offices to support direct delivery of public health programs and services in nearly every country in the world. Additionally, UNICEF's mandate also address educational related health issues. This focus has enabled UNICEF programs to develop a leadership role in micronutrient deficiency intervention programs across multiple sectors of society because of the significant impact of such programs on health and population-based health education. In addition to national offices, UNICEF supports sub-national programs which provide direct access to local public health and education programs.

UNICEF supports micronutrient deficiency intervention programs around the world through the distribution of vitamin A capsules, as well as iron and folic acid supplements to target populations. UNICEF supports country-based salt iodization programs around the world to reduce the burden of iodine deficiency disorders.

Eligibility for Component 2

Assistance will be provided only to the World Health Organization (WHO) and its Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office (EMRO). No other applications are solicited.

WHO is the most appropriate and qualified agency to conduct the activities under this component because it is the only organization that (a) has demonstrated the necessary expertise and experience in technical, policy, and program issues relating to micronutrient malnutrition; (b) maintains relationships with MOH officials and other policy makers throughout the region; and (c) serves as the source of international standards for nutritional status, including micronutrient status.

WHO supports micronutrient malnutrition intervention programs. WHO is a partner in a global initiative to eliminate micronutrient malnutrition.

In the past ten years WHO/EMRO has made progress in working towards the prevention of iron deficiency anemia (IDA) and the elimination of iodine deficiency disorders (IDD). WHO/EMRO identified flour fortification with iron and folate as the best preventive and most sustainable strategy for IDA, as bread and other wheat-flour products are widely consumed in the countries of region. Through regional workshops, WHO/EMRO has helped countries write action plans for flour fortification with iron and folate, and at present, six countries have either begun or are in the process of beginning flour fortification. Additionally, WHO/EMRO supports country-based salt iodization programs throughout the region which has had a significant impact on reducing the burden of iodine deficiency disorders.

Eligibility for Component 3

Applicants must have a presence and/or office in a country and demonstrate the ability to implement the activity within the country.

Assistance will be provided to public and private nonprofit organizations and institutions working in developing countries; such as, educational institutions, universities, colleges, research institutions, hospitals, faith-based organizations and other organizations and institutions. Applicants must have the authorization and overall resources to implement a micronutrient program in a country or region of a country.

Note: Title 2 of the United States Code section 1611 states that an organization described in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code that engages in lobbying activities is not eligible to receive Federal funds constituting an award, grant or loan.